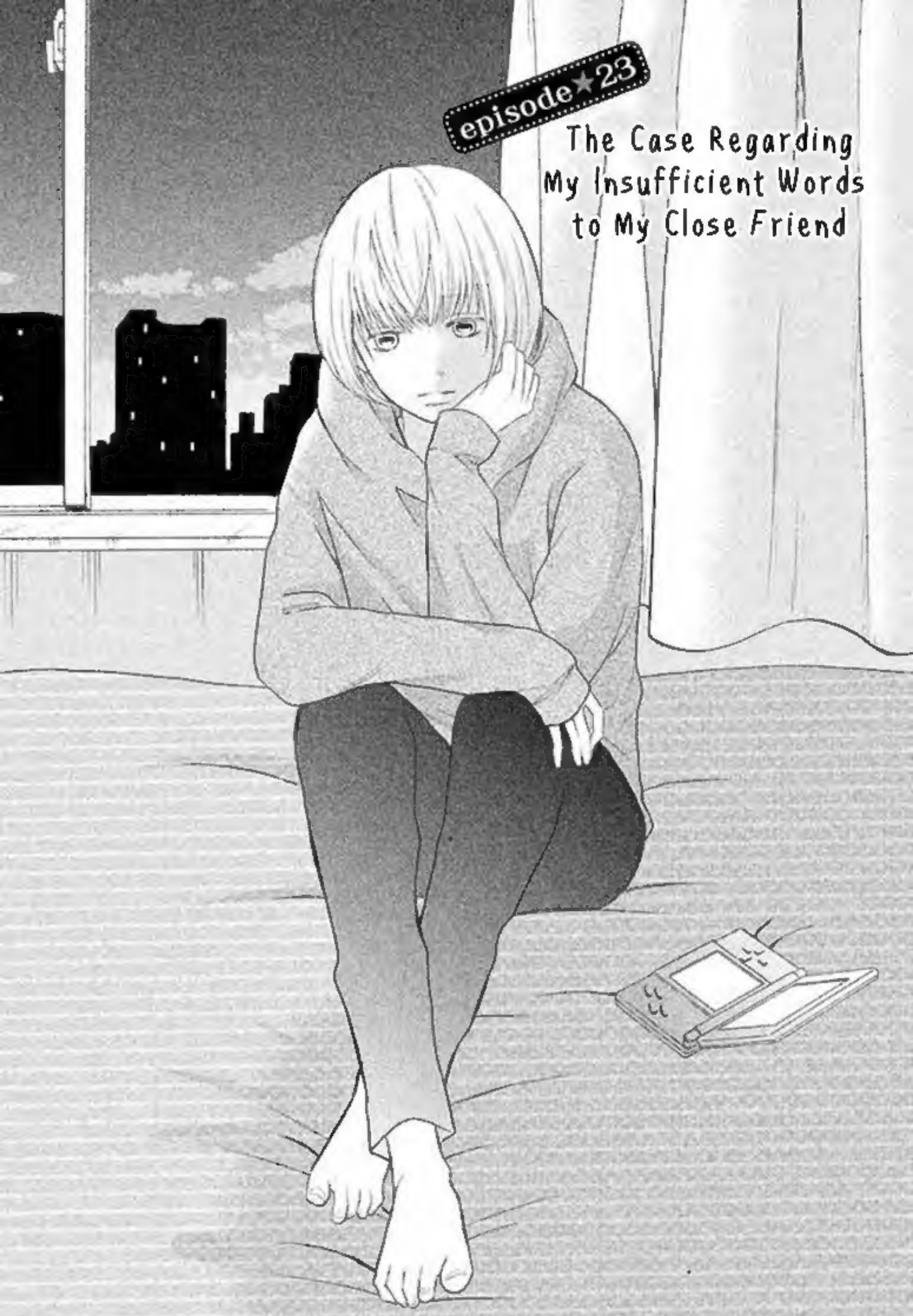
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The Case Regarding
My Insufficient Words
to My Close Friend

I'M LEAVING QUICKLY!

BEFORE I'M CAUGHT I HAVE TO LEAVE QUICK ...

gasp

I PLANNED ON GOING STRAIGHT TO THE SCHOOL CAMPUS.

W-WHAT AM I DOING? I LOOK LIKE A STALKER!

SLIDE

GOOD MORNING, AYADO-SAN!!!

AH,

ITOU-SENPA-

BUT IT SEEMS THAT IT'LL RAIN IN THE EVENING SO PLEASE BE CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY HOME.

OKAY!

THAT'S RIGHT.

THE WEATHER IS GOOD AGAIN TODAY!!

AH...

AHH! A PICNIC!

I DEFINITELY WANT TO GO AGAIN WITH EVERYONE!

IT WAS FUN.

UHMM,

AYADO -SAN,

IF IT'S OKAY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO AGAIN NEXT TIME ...

AH, ITOU AND AYADO -SAN!

YEAH... LET'S GO AGAIN WITH EVERYONE.

IT-

ba-dump

ba-dump

SFX: DING DONG

AH,

SEE YOU LA-

OKAY!

IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE GETTING ALONG PRETTY WELL!

Later!

THAT'S RIGHT.

THAT WAS AN UNCOMMON THING.

IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE'VE BECOME SO CLOSE THAT I CAN ALWAYS INVITE HER.

I-

ITOU!

GOOD MORNING!

HOW EMBARRASSING.

WHAT AM I DOING?

phew

GOOD MORNING.

TSU -TSUI.

ba-dump ba-dump

I WONDER IF HE WAS ABLE TO SAY IT WELL TO AYADO-SAN ...

Over here!

Pass it to me!

I WASN'T ABLE TO SLEEP THAT WELL YESTERDAY SO NOW I'M SLEEPY ...

yawn

IN THE END, I THINK I'M BETTER OFF NOT DOING ANYTHING.

WHY DID I GO TO THE FLOWER -BED?

EVEN THOUGH I WANTED TO TRY OUT A GAME, I WASN'T ABLE TO CONCENTRATE.

BUT AFTER THINKING ABOUT IT I WASN'T ABLE TO CHOOSE AN ANSWER

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UNTIL NOW, IT'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THIS.

ITOU SHOW ME YOUR PRINTOUT.

OKAY.

IF I STOPPED HOLDING BACK MY FEELINGS...

DOING COMMITTEE MEMBER STUFF IS ANNOYING.

ITOU, YOU DO IT.

I'LL DO IT.

OKAY...

sigh....

IT'S FINE. AFTER ALL,

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

THEN I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET ALONG WELL WITH EVERYONE UNTIL NOW.

THEN YOU'RE NOT DOING IT FOR OTHERS,

BUT FOR YOURSELF.

YOU HATE SPEAKING YOUR MIND AND GETTING INTO ARGUMENTS.

IT'S BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO HURT YOURSELF.

YOU REALLY DON'T CHANGE.

gasp

WATCH OUT!

BAM

Ow...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, STARING OFF INTO SPACE?

Hahaha

DID YOU STAY UP ALL NIGHT WATCHING ANIME?

AH, HEY!

IT HIT THE CAT EARS GUY FROM CLASS A!

THAT'S WHY

WHY AM I LAUGHING

HAHA...

Get it together, Cat Ears!

保健室

stick

pull out

brush

WHY?!

IGARASHI -SAN!

AH,

THERE YOU ARE, ITOI -KUN.

I WONDER

IF YOU'RE OKAY IN GENERAL.

I SAW YOU FALL DOWN EARLIER. ARE YOU OKAY?

YEAH, JUST A SCRATCH.

YEAH...

WHEN WE WENT ON A PICNIC, YOU LOOKED KIND OF WORRIED.

ARE YOU STILL WORRIED?

I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING WAS WRONG

THIS WON'T DO.

I'VE ONLY BEEN THINKING ABOUT MYSELF

YEAH...

I SEE...

MAYBE ...

THERE'S NO REASON AT ALL FOR YOU TO BE DEPRESSED!

WHAT?!

EVEN THOUGH I'VE ALWAYS BEEN AT YOUR SIDE

J-JUST BY LOOKING DOESN'T MEAN I'VE DONE ANYTHING!

YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN WATCHING OVER US.

LIKE,

BOTH OF YOU FACE EACH OTHER AND SAY WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND... I THINK

THAT...

EH?

YOU AND TSUTSUI ARE KIND OF SIMILAR.

AHA,

You're blushing

IT WAS KIND OF EMBARRA -SSING.

BUT "HAPPY," HUH. THAT'S ..

THE OTHER DAY TSUTSUI SAID,

"I'M HAPPY THAT YOU FELL IN LOVE WITH A GIRL!"

"I WANT YOU TO BE HAPPY"

HEY,

THERE'S TIMES WHEN IF I DON'T SPEAK HONESTLY THEN TSUTSUN WON'T UNDERSTAND

AH..

YEAH..

Right

YEAH...

BUT I THINK SO TOO.

I PROBABLY CHANGED WHEN I FELL IN LOVE WITH TSUTSUN.

ONCE I FELL IN LOVE,

I WAS ABLE TO UNDERSTAND A LOT OF THINGS I WANTED TO KNOW.

ALSO THAT,

WAS THE FIRST TIME I PROPERLY FELL IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE.

ANYWAY,

ENOUGH ABOUT MY STORY

WHAT ABOUT YOU?

ME?

I'VE RECENTLY REALIZED THAT EVEN IF YOU'RE CONFLICTED OR IN PAIN, YOU HAVE TO AT LEAST CONVEY YOUR FEELINGS TO THE PERSON WHO'S IMPORTANT TO YOU.

BUT,

BECAUSE OF THAT MY CONCEALED EMOTIONS

REMAINED FORMLESS AND BECAME ALL LIGHT AND FUZZY.

I...

I...

UNTIL I MET TSUTSUI

I COULDN'T CONVEY ANYTHING TO ANYONE IMPORTANT.

I THOUGHT IT WAS BETTER THAN FIGHTING.

THEY HAD NO PLACE TO GO AND JUST REMAINED INSIDE OF ME.

DON'T LAUGH, BUT-

IGARASHI -SAN.

I'M-

I'M ALSO AN IMPORTANT FRIEND TO YOU!

YEAH...

YEAH, THAT WAS EMBARR -ASSING

...YEAH

YEAH.

OF COURSE, I'M HAPPY.

BUT,

YEAH.

W-WHAT'S WRONG? YOUR FACE IS RED.

I'VE ALREADY BEEN KILLED TWICE UPON FIRST SIGHT!

SHOW ME THE STRATEGY GUIDE FOR THESE RUNS!

ITOU!

Jmm, this character s weak with water

HE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL WITH THIS.

W-

WAIT A SECOND.

HE WAS ABLE TO GET OFF THAT TRAIN AND RUN OVER.

BUT,

I SEE...

wait a sec What did you just do?

W-wai=

TSUTSUI FELL IN LOVE AND LEVELED UP.

ALL I'VE DONE IS WATCH FROM NEARBY.

TSUTSUI, IGARASHI, AND AYADO-SAN TOO

EVERYONE HAS COLLIDED INTO PROBLEMS AND BEEN HURT.

I REALLY AM THE ONLY ONE WITHOUT COURAGE.

shut

R-

I'M GOING TO WHERE AYADO-SAN IS.

RIGHT NOW,

TSUTSUI,

SORRY.

I'M GOING TO TELL HER MY FEELINGS.

UH

YEEAH.

SEE YA!

IS THERE ANYTHING GOOD I SHOULD SAY?!

GO RAISE YOUR XP!

OR SOME-THING LIKE THAT

WHOA..

YEAH.

YEAH,

HERE I GO.

YEAH! OKAY! RAISE YOUR XP!

I'M SCARED.

WHILE I'M STILL SWALLOWING MY FEELINGS.

BUT...

"You never change."

BECAUSE I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO SAY MY FEELINGS.

BECAUSE I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO CONVEY THEM UNTIL NOW.

WITHOUT BEING LEFT IN SOME KIND OF FORM, THEY'RE STILL BEING ERASED.

AYADO-SAN

YOUR STOMACH WILL HURT

IF YOU RUN LIKE THAT AFTER LUNCHTIME,

ITOU-SENPAI WHAT'S WRONG?

AYADO-SAN.

YES?

I LIKE YOU, AYADO-SAN.

WHAT.

U-

UM.

I'M SORRY,

BUT,

SO I KNOW IF I SAY THIS, IT'LL TROUBLE YOU.

I ALSO SAW THAT YOU LIKE TSUTSUI.

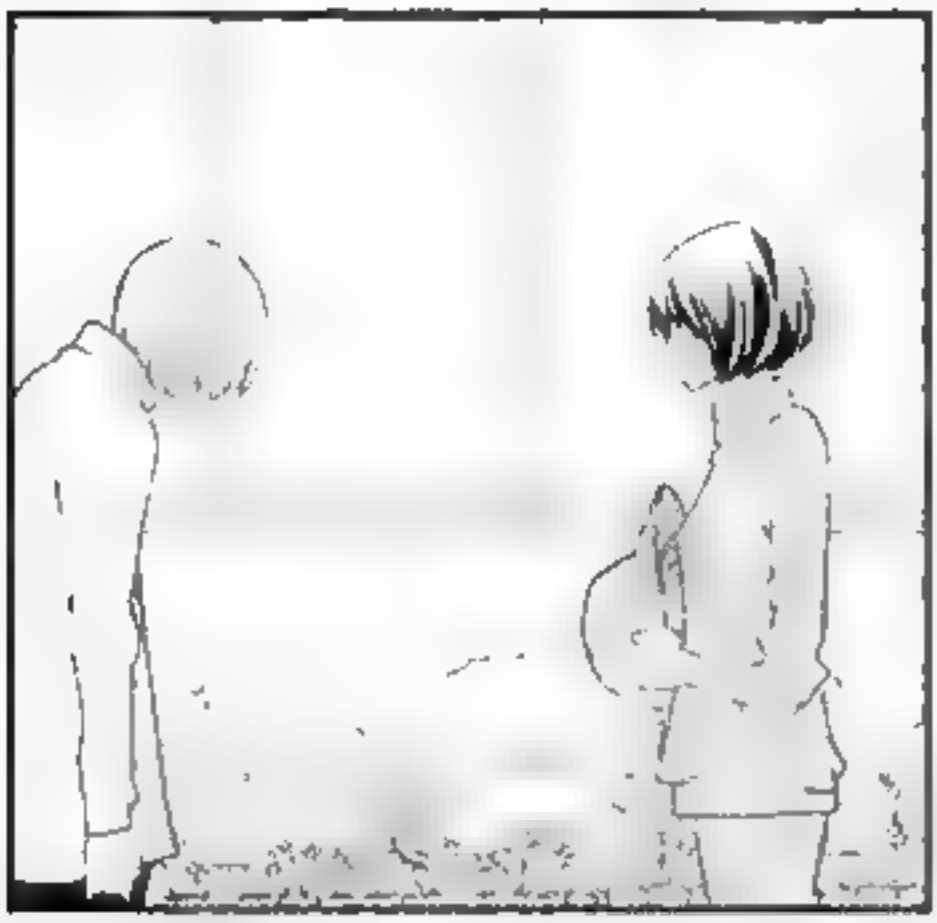
I LIKE YOU, AYADO -SAN.

BUT,

EH.

UM.

AH,



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O-OKAY.

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AHH!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...?

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FUH.

SERIOUSLY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

AH,

I COULDN'T CALM DOWN... I WAS COUNTING THE NUMBER OF DOTS ON THE CEILING .....

Nah

LET'S GO HOME.

WHAT IS IT ITOU?!

UM..

TSUTSUI.

I....

YOU DON'T HAVE TO YELL SO LOUD?

YEAH,

SORRY.

YOU SEE,

I'VE ALWAYS

BEEN JEALOUS OF YOU.

I THOUGHT THAT LIKING SOMEONE

AH, THAT ROMANTIC LOVE WAS PAINFUL.

HAVING THE GIRL YOU LOVE LIKE YOUR FRIEND WAS EVEN MORE PAINFUL.

Of me...?

.....

WHY?

BUT NOW, EVEN MORE THAN THAT,

I'M GRATEFUL FOR YOU HELPING ME TO BE ABLE TO MEET AYADO -SAN.

I'VE BEEN REALLY JEAL -OUS OF YOU FOR AWHILE

...THANK YOU.

SORRY ABOUT THAT.

YEAH.

SHOULD I ...

CONGRATULATE YOU...?

THAT YOU ...

DOES THAT MEAN...

I'VE BEEN THINKING FOR AWHILE WHAT KIND OF REACTION I SHOULD HAVE!

A HIGH FIVE!!

THANKS. . WHAT IS THAT?

CONGRATS ....!!!

YOU DID IT!

YOU-

TSUTSUI,

W-

WE CAN ALL GO ON A DATE AND HAVE FUN!!

LIKE THIS!

WHAT SHOULD I DO TO CELE-BRATE

...AH!

Clap

BUT,

UM,

THANKS ...

HUH?

I WAS REJECTED.

I KNEW THAT.

IT WAS NO GOOD.

I WAS CONGRAT -ULATED AFTER ALL.

BUT, MY XP PROBABLY WENT UP.

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RAWS: Tsubaki
TRANSLATOR: Whitewolfgirl
PROOFREADER: Kitt
CLEANER: Tsubaki
TYPESETTER: Tsubaki
QUALITY CHECKER: Tsubaki

WE NEED JAPANESE TRANSLATORS AND CLEANERS !

Woah...

SO MANY PRETTY MANGAS!

Waa...

THIS IS WHERE THE SUMMER RAIN TEAM DOES THEIR MAGIC.

AND SCANLATE ALL YOUR FAVORITE SHOUJO MANGA!

Welcome to Summer Rain!

YEAH, IT'S NOT LIKE WE GET PAID TO TRANSLATE MANGA FOR YOU.

WHAT?! THEN WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!

AH, BUT WAIT. IF YOU WANT TO READ MORE CUTE SHOUJO MANGA, YOU HAVE TO HELP US SOMEHOW.

OKAY?

Summer Rain

SIGN ME UP!

INFACT, MOST OF THIS MANGA WORK REQUIRES WHO KNOW HOW TO USE PHOTOSHOP.

Even if you don't know how to use photoshop, you can help out by donating as well!

YEAH, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS GO TO OUR TUMBLR.

BUT YOU KNOW, YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW JAPANESE TO HELP US.

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! THEY ACTUALLY DEDICATE THEIR TIME TO BRING MANGA JUST FOR ME!

I feel so bad for always asking them for faster updates.

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